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July 1, 1963 - Monday

There was plenty to do at the office today. I worked on an answer to the FBI report on an interview with Corbally, given to me by Secretary Rusk.

Betty and Bobbety Salisbury lunched with us at the house. They were in mellow form.

I still have recurring fever each afternoon, so am back in the hands of Dr. Gottfried, of 75 Wimpole Street. ~~Visits to him consume a good deal of time.~~

I worked again tonight on my statement about the FBI report, and am waiting for Al Wells to make his comments on the same memorandum.

July 2, 1963 - Tuesday

I went to Dr. Gottfried for injections at nine o'clock this morning.

Malcolm Hoag, of the Rand Corporation, called on me. Later on, Nelson Slater also did so. Lulu and he have just arrived and are staying until Friday.

I gave a lunch at home for Congressman Wayne Hays, with Messrs. Lewis Jones, Findley Burns, Ray Courtney, Paul Brumby and Lewis Purnell, and Joan Auten as guests.

This afternoon, Messrs. M. J. Rathbone, Chairman, and W. R. Stott, Chief Executive Officer, of Standard Oil of New Jersey, together with George Parker Executive Vice Presidents, and David Shepard, came to see me. We had a long talk about the trials and tribulations of international business operations. They are a resourceful, impressive group.

The Italian Ambassador, Pietro Quaroni, came to see me. He wished to make a report to his Government on what had really taken place at Birch Grove. I told him I thought the communique was sufficiently explicit. He has an acute mind, so immediately asked embarrassing questions, such as whether the

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Prime Minister and President had not agreed to accept a test ban omitting underground explosions which would necessitate control and inspection. He also had what seemed to me a rather cock and bull story from the French about how the President had privately said at Bonn that he intended to drop any further effort on the MLF. As to the first point, I told him ~~that~~ I had no knowledge of its having been discussed at Birch Grove. Regarding the second, I said the President intended to press ahead with talks on the MLF with all interested nations.

I went back to Gottfried for another shot, ~~then~~ then attended the Dominion Day reception at the Canadian Embassy.

At seven o'clock we had some people in for cocktails--the Slaters, Henry Hyde and his wife, and the Tippetts, who arrived today from Ireland to stay with us. Liz Tippet, Jock Whitney's first wife, has now been married four times. Her present husband is a retired American Air Force officer. They have houses in Ireland, Virginia, and California. She made a trip to Russia some time ago as a consultant on their horse breeding and racing establishments. She also bought some Russian horses. She told a story of a wild goose on her Virginia farm becoming the constant and devoted companion of a black Angus bull. It seems they are inseparable; the goose follows him around the fields, he is miserable without her, and they sleep in the same stall at night.

E and I went to dinner with the Cavendish Bentincks at 21 Carlyle Square, where we had an ~~agreeable~~ agreeable time. Helen Adeane, the Duncan Sandys, Lord and Lady Winborne, Lord and Lady Fitzwilliam, and Lord Bury were the other guests.

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July 3, 1963 - Wednesday

Went to the doctor at five minutes to nine. At ten o'clock, I called on Lord Denning at the Treasury Chambers on Great George Street. He is in charge of the inquiry into the reports which are circulating about the Profumo-Ward-Keeler case. I had a letter from him, written July 1st, as follows:

"Dear Ambassador,

I have been entrusted by the Prime Minister with an inquiry into the reports which are circulating which affect the honour and integrity of public life in this country.

I do not wish to trouble you on the matter but I expect it has come to your notice that a French newspaper called "Liberation" on the 18th June published statements affecting several Ministers. In addition, I am sorry to say that they included your name as well. There is no statement directly defamatory of you, but it seems to me that it is capable of innuendo. It may be inferred that you as well as some of our Cabinet Ministers went to Dr. Ward's flat and were parties to the goings on in his flat.

I have seen the Ministers named in the article and I have no reason to think that there is any truth whatever in the report in "Liberation". I have written to the Managing Director in Paris but so far have had no reply. I do not think it is necessary to trouble you on the matter, but I should be most grateful for any comment which you might care to make. If indeed, you were likely to be in this neighborhood, I should be only too glad if you would come in for a minute or two.

Yours sincerely, Denning"

We had a long and satisfactory talk about this matter. I told him I thought the Liberation ~~story~~ had little importance. Then we proceeded to a discussion of the FBI report on an interview with Corbally, a copy of which ^{Denning} ~~has~~ in his possession. I explained what I had written to Dean Rusk about this, before proceeding to describe the one visit made by ~~me~~ and myself to Cliveden, in 1962. I told him that later in the day I would consult my diary and give him further details about who had been there. This I did in the following letter:

My letter to Dean Rusk about the FBI report was in these terms:

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Aline and Isaiah Berlin ~~lunched with us~~. Isaiah was, as usual, intensely amusing. He said he owed his start in life to three people: (1) Dick Crossman; (2) Guy Burgess; and (3) John Foster. His account of his acquaintanceship in Washington with Burgess was inimitable. He really is an extraordinarily gifted conversationalist; Aline was charming.

I went back to the doctor this afternoon for ~~another shot~~, then attended the reception at Claridges given to celebrate the Coronation of Pope Paul VI. Tonight E and I went to the Gilbert Millers' dinner dance at the Savoy.

July 4, 1963 - Thursday

Went to the doctor early this morning, then ~~dressed myself in sponge bags~~ for the 4th of July reception, which we held from 11:30 to 1:00 o'clock. It seemed to have gone off unusually well. Although little use could be made of the out-terraces because of the immediate blotting out of faithful streaks of sunshine by rain, there must have been about 400 people, including Members of the Cabinet, Ministers not in the Cabinet, a full representation of the Diplomatic Corps, and some members of Parliament from all Parties, as well as guests from the Foreign Office, Commonwealth Relations Office, Colonial Office, and Central African Office, and the heads of various American and Anglo-American groups. In addition to our own people, there were ~~some~~ British guests such as the Speaker and Lady Hylton-Foster, Lord Mountbatten, the Perths, the Maharaja and Maharani of Jaipur, who have been in the habit of coming to this reception.

E and I went to a late lunch at the Ian Flemings'. Reggie Maudling, Sir Maurice Bower, Alistair Forbes, were the guests. Melvin Lasky did not remain for lunch, but I had ~~a~~ talk with him beforehand. I thought the conversation scintillating. It included good natured fun ~~being poked at~~ Reggie Maudling about

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American Society Dinner - July 4, 1963

After our dinner last year, at which I had been slightly verbose, I was informed by one of my associates that my role was to propose 'oasts, not to make a dissertation to a captive audience.

I have taken this advice to heart, and will detain you only a short time on a statistical matter, comprising a few tidbits of historical instruction.

Were July 4 notable for nothing else, the date would be significant for its neurological importance. Three of the first five Presidents of the United States died on July 4, John Adams, at the age of 90, Jefferson on the same day, at 83, and James Monroe at 73. Later, President Zachary Taylor almost did the same. He attended July 4 dedication ceremonies in 1850 at the laying of the cornerstone of the Washington Monument. There was a broiling sun (to which British statesmen are rarely exposed). Upon returning to the White House, old Rough and Ready drank a quantity of iced milk, and ate handfuls of fruit. The result was an immediate and desperate illness, but he survived until July 9.

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There is no particular moral ^{to this lugubrious tale} ~~in the above~~, nor do I suggest that any of the guests seek one.

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I sat between the two Josephs. She is a beautiful American. They are both young and agreeable. He is looked upon as a politician of great promise, ^{who} has already made his mark as Minister for Housing and in the collateral duties with which he is charged.

Having had in the late afternoon a couple more injections from Dr. Gottfried which did not diminish my daily fever, I called Lord Camrose before dinner to excuse myself, and inferentially E, from going off to Deauville tomorrow, to be weekend guests on his yacht. I hated to relinquish this engagement, for it sounded unusually promising of fun and relaxation.

July 5, 1963 - Friday

I went to see the doctor early this morning, and decided to lay up at home this weekend with a determination to avoid the pneumonia with which he threatens me if I gallivant around too much.

John Leddy stopped in on an OECD matter.

I met Miss Mary Elizabeth Fox, recommended by Lyndon Johnson (she is Director of Publicity, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas), and transacted other pieces of business.

Harold Caccia called to say he would like to talk over the proceedings at Birch Grove, so we have arranged to meet on Sunday.

I was not able to go to the U. S. Education Commission meeting this morning because of other occupations. I met the new Executive Secretary yesterday, introduced by his predecessor, Dr. Moomaw. Dr. Edgell has a PhD from Brown University and was Professor of English Literature at San Jose State College in California. He has lectured in Egyptian Universities, and has been the recipient of three Senior Fulbright Scholarships, as well as a Smith Mundt Professorship. He is the author of William Ellery Channing: An Intellectual Portrait.

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July 6, 1963 - Saturday

Foiled in the French trip, I went completely to ground today, after late night reading James Boswell's latest--The Ominous Years, 1774-1776. What a candid fellow he was, unconscious of the silly figure he often presented. His groans over the results of alcoholic excesses, or his ill-starred adventures with casual females, are naively intermingled with illustrations of his subservience to Dr. Johnson, his sentimentality for his much abused wife, and his quarrels over the "feudal principle" with his stuffy father.

It rained today without cessation, ruining this great athletic weekend, with the grand expectations at Wimbledon, Lords, and Henley.

I attacked a stack of letters, articles and speeches. I thought the President's remarks at Frankfurt felicitous, pungent and pointed.

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Never having set foot outside may account for the first day in a long time I have been free of fever.

Amongst other diversions, I tackled the debates in Hansard on the Profumo case, and more recent ones in the House of Lords on Foreign policy, sent me by Bessborough and Boothby.

The tone in the Lords is occasionally stilted, but the standing. A bill to allow peers to renounce their titles and stand for of Commons, if they wish, is now under discussion. I should think a reform of Lords was desirable, but its abolition, or even immoderate packing, would be a grave mistake. Without much legislative power, it provides, nevertheless, a balance to the more impetuous Commons. Moreover, many of its active members are men and women of outstanding distinction and character, freed from the necessity of catering to popular pressures.

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I've started tonight on Washington Square by Henry James, induced by buying a copy from the Folio Society, to whose publications I subscribe. I have read it at least twice in the past, so shall now skip through it.

The remarkable Sir Winston returned yesterday from a cruise through the Greek Islands on Onassis' yacht, looking robust, waving a huge cigar, photographed for every newspaper.

Lord Denning has sent for the papers in the Argyll case, causing a wild flutter amongst the Duchess' erstwhile companions.

July 7, 1963 - Sunday

Saw a mallard duck with three minute progeny crossing the road this morning. The black swan looks lonely on the pond; her mate died last winter, and her cygnets have been moved elsewhere.

A quiet, peaceful day, with bright sunshine. E has snipped off hundreds of dead roses, while I dawdled. Nicky is engaged in preparing for examinations tomorrow.

Harold Caccia walked over this afternoon to see me. He thinks the Birch Grove conversations went well, but seemed somewhat concerned over certain adverse newspaper criticism to the effect that they were pointless and nonproductive. I do not share the view of those carping journalists, intent upon discovering fissures in Anglo-American relations. I believe the best way to reach understanding and to harmonize policies between our two governments is to have the President and the Prime Minister meet informally about twice a year.

Harold knew the PM well in North Africa; he thinks him too intelligent to remain in office to fight another general election, and suspects that Macmillan may well seek a graceful reason in the autumn to retire.

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Am rereading Jusserand's School for Ambassadors.

I had a letter Friday from the P.M., as follows:

"Dear Ambassador:

Thank you so much for sending me the telegram from the President. I have sent him an answer on our private wire.

I think that the talks were really useful and produced a good result. It was satisfactory that this was recognized in the press today. I should like to thank you personally for the part which you played. Neither the President nor I could have wished for a more helpful contribution than you gave us. I am deeply grateful.

Yours very sincerely,

Harold Macmillan"

Finished tonight F. A. Simpson's The Rise of Louis Napoleon, published in 1909. It is a brilliant biography, one of the best I have ever read on any subject. With much less pleasure, I went through A Short History of English Literature by Gilbert Phelps. I thought his chapter on the Romantic Revival lacking in balance.

July 8, 1963 - Monday

The day announced itself well with sunshine, so at last the tennis matches at Wimbledon may be terminated this evening. An amusing newspaper interview with Jocelyn Stevens, proprietor of Queen, on men's clothes, would indicate the outmoding of my numerous striped shirts, so much in vogue a couple of years ago. At least, I am not caught loaded with double-breasted suits, on which he visits particular scorn. We met him a couple of weeks ago, and found him unusually engaging, with an outsize sense of humor.

I have for long been one of the few optimists in American officialdom over the hope of negotiating at least a partial test ban with the Soviets. The current Sino-Soviet schism is favorable to this prospect, provided Khrushchev does not couple his position on testing with a demand involving our recognition of the East German Government.

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I took to the garden and beheaded dead roses.

What a difference between the climate here and at home. It is about 65° today in London; I suppose in Washington the temperature is in the nineties.

Received, as we did last year, a huge slab of smoked salmon from Betty and Warry Gillet, who are on a Norwegian river.

Am reading Montaigne's Essays, an invariable delight.

July 9, 1963 - Tuesday

At the office, I saw Bob Kleyman, who has just been assigned to the editorial board of the New York Times. He is an excellent, intelligent, companionable man. We have had a great to-do here with telegrams, telephone calls, and written communications from Washington on the subject of an article to be published in NEWSWEEK today, accusing the British Security services of almost complete incompetency, and throwing in the charge that some high official in the Defense Department last autumn or winter allowed the Soviet Government to obtain possession of a Top Secret memorandum from Secretary McNamara on Skybolt. The British are indignantly denying these allegations, which will cause the Government considerable trouble in the House of Commons. The Philby case is mixed up in this. According to our local CAS people, the substance of the "I told you so" attacks is baseless. The British Government is issuing a statement today on the subject, but that to be given out a few hours later in Washington seems to me too wishy-washy. I sent a telegram about it this morning, as follows:

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further negotiation. He realizes the difficulty of a non-aggression pact between NATO and the Warsaw Pact countries, because of the East German question. He said as far as the Satellites were concerned, they would welcome a non-aggression pact concluded only between the US and the Soviet Union. He has always been a close student of Chinese history and current political events there. He thinks a complete break between the Soviet Union and China not in the cards, since neither of them has any intention of discarding the Communist doctrine. He believes the US is unrealistic in not accepting some form of recognition of Communist China, but doubts any serious consideration can be given to this while the Generalissimo is still alive.

Gaston Coblentz came to see me this afternoon, exuberant over his essay into the investment banking business with Mitchell Hutchins Company. I promised to do some purchasing and selling through this firm in New York.

Mrs. Meyer (Fleur Cowles) and Ian McCallum of the Bath Museum came to seek my aid in arranging a lunch for prominent American businessmen in London, with the idea of interesting them in obtaining contributions for the sustenance of the Museum.

We had a cocktail party this evening with an even odder assortment than usual of people of diverse interests. The Cambodian Ambassador and his wife were there, John North of Ringling Brothers Circus, Jerome Zerbe, the famous photographer, a lady introduced by Pierre Salinger who has just done a successful television job on the Kremlin, and now wishes to do the same for Buckingham Palace, Stanton Griffiths, still hardy at the age of 76, Carrie Magill ^{and} James, from Alexandria, and others.

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E and I went to dinner with the Henry Tiarks at 11 Hyde Park Gardens. Mr. and Mrs. Peale, from Paris, Nigel Fisher and his wife, their daughter Henrietta Tavistock and her husband, the Dutch Ambassador and his wife, were there. We had ~~had~~ a conversation after dinner about British Guiana, an area to which Fisher as an MP and a high official in the Colonial Office has given particular attention. Duncan Sandys flew out there today, so we shall shortly be hearing more about whether Great Britain will reimpose its colonial rule over BG, or whether some other course may be followed.

The Bentincks (Dutch Ambassador) have been transferred to Paris. He told me that his wife does not like the idea of living in their beautiful official residence on the Left Bank, but wishes to have a house near the Bois. There is certainly no accounting for tastes, since their present residence is one of the finest houses in Paris. She is German, a member of the Thyssen family.

Eldon Griffiths ^{came} ~~had~~ in to see me this afternoon, to talk about the NEWSWEEK article that has so troubled us. He has been given explicit denials by the highest officers of the British Government of the allegations.

I ~~had~~ stopped for a few minutes before lunch to see Tom Lumley, whose help I sought in arranging the sale of a Derby porcelain figure representing Neptune standing on a dolphin.

July 10, 1963 - Wednesday

I sallied forth this morning in a morning coat to Buckingham Palace, to participate in a reception for the King of Greece (who is on all invitations called the "King of the Hellenes"). About eighty Chiefs of Mission fell into line, in order of seniority, behind our leader, the Swedish Ambassador. Before doing so, we were contained in one of the large rooms of the Palace.

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This afforded an opportunity to have friendly conversations with one's colleagues.

I had a few words with the Soviet Ambassador, who volunteered [REDACTED] that during his recent visit to Moscow he [REDACTED] found the atmosphere propitious for a possibly favorable outcome of the forthcoming Harriman-Hailsham Soviet talks. He expressed the opinion that they might well prove "fruitful."

These ceremonies are brief, each Ambassador lingers a moment on the doorstep of the room in which the Chief of State receives, makes a bow, moves forward, exchanges handshakes, and sometimes a few words, before [REDACTED] going onward to take his automobile. The King is a sturdy looking man.

I went with Bill Clark for lunch at Reuters, 85 Fleet Street, where I sat between the Chairman and Roy Thomson. Roy told me he had just bought a newspaper in Fairmont, West Virginia. I kidded him about his so often declared interest only in the financial success of his journals, saying I did not believe this. Obviously his papers have been extremely profitable, and there is nothing in the field of investment more attractive, if bought cheaply, than the development of a successful paper. After a good deal of badinage he confessed that he was not immune to the prestige attaching to his position. He said he always liquidated a holding which, after a reasonable time, seemed destined to be a losing proposition. He also told me that the income from his papers last year amounted before taxes to something in excess of 15 million dollars. There must have been about thirty guests at lunch, including a few like Sidney Gruson of the New York Times, who were not associated with Reuters. It was an interesting group; one of their correspondents was there from Hong Kong, others from the Middle East, Africa; and elsewhere. The Chairman made a short speech of welcome, and I responded under questioning, chiefly on the subject of the forthcoming negotiations in Moscow.

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Ted Curtis came to see me at the office. He is about to return home. He started off his retirement by buying a couple of race horses. We had a talk about aviation and political matters before turning to the subject of Merian Cooper, in whose moving picture ventures he and I are both financial participants.

A letter from Cooper yesterday, telling me he thought he had at last succeeded in getting a start on a picture of Claire Chennault's life. He is going to the Far East next month, to explore possibilities in Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Bangkok, working out the affair.

The new Ambassador from Upper Volta, Kango Gerard Ouedraogo, came to see me. He is an affable fellow. Thirty-seven years old, he received his early education in Upper Volta and the Soudan. Between 1945 and 1948 he held administrative posts in the Soudan, Upper Volta and Senegal. His political career began in 1952, and he has held a number of positions including those of Deputy of Upper Volta to the French National Assembly (1956-59), Grand Councillor of Upper Volta (1952-57), and Vice-President of the Grand Council of French West Africa (1957-59). He was the Finance Minister of the Republic of Upper Volta for six months in 1958-59. He was appointed to London in 1961, but has only recently presented his credentials. He is not married, and is fluent only in French. As is usual with Ambassadors from his part of the world, he complains resignedly about the British climate. Most of his time since arrival has been engrossed by a search for an apartment and an office. His problem is now settled, for the Ambassador of Gabon is moving to Paris, and has relinquished to his Upper Volta colleague his quarters. The Gabon representative who has longed to be stationed in Paris, will now represent his country both there and here.

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Richard Neustadt came to see me. He has been assigned by the President to make a study principally centering on the relationship of State and other governmental agencies in foreign representation.

At 6:45 E and I in evening dress and decorations were seated at the Aldwych Theatre. This was a State Gala, under the auspices of the Foreign Office, for the Greek King and Queen, attended by the British Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh, and other members of the British Royal Family, with their suites.

The Greek visit has been the subject of much controversy in the newspapers and elsewhere, because of the organization against them during their last visit here of people to protest against the continued jailing in Greece of political prisoners, most of whom are charged with having been Communists. I have never during my stay in England seen as many police concentrated as there were around the theatre. In spite of this, there were boos, demonstrations, some scuffling, and placard carriers carrying strange devices.

The Royal Party was expected to be seated in their boxes at seven o'clock. A minute before, there was a great scurry in those loges to be occupied by the British Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh, the King and Queen of Greece, and their attendants. Two men in evening clothes crawled on their hands and knees around the floor of the box, one of them dragging a bomb detector. They investigated minutely a piece of green shrubbery and banks of flowers, as well as prodding the chairs. All seemed well, but a few minutes later another group appeared and went through the same performance. Consequently, the curtain rose about fifteen minutes late on "A Midsummer Night's Dream", given by the Royal Shakespeare Company. The play was only moderately well received, its choice having been made because of references to Athens. There were many members of the Cabinet, a large assortment from the Diplomatic Corps, and the usual high ranking

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officials and society people whom one customarily finds present on such occasions.

Afterwards, we went on to Lancaster House, where the Homes entertained at a huge buffet supper. It was an attractive party. As at many such galas, the numerous Africans and Asians with their picturesque and colorful costumes shamed the dull plumaged Westerners.

July 11, 1963 - Thursday

Col. Hartfield, of White & Case, came to see me this morning. I have known him more years than I can remember. In spite of his diminutive stature, he is still, at the age of 81, as acute and intelligent a man as I have ever met.

Ex-Governor (of Florida) and Mrs. Collins came to see me. They are a ~~sympathetic~~ sympathetic couple.

E and I lunched with the Michael Berrys. We re-hashed the NEWSWEEK affair about British Security, on which the Daily Telegraph had a scoop. Last night at the Lancaster House reception Peter Thorneycroft, in front of several people, denounced Michael for having reproduced the NEWSWEEK article in the Daily Telegraph, which I think was both injudicious and unfair. This matter will not be stilled, for it will shortly be brought up in the House of Commons. We lingered late there, as Pam had stopped the clock at 2:30, so unwittingly I did not leave until an hour later. I missed the wedding reception, attended by E, at Warwick House for the wedding of the Cromers' daughter. This is one of the last great houses left in London. ~~Esmond~~ Rothermere is devoted to his granddaughter, and threw his house open for this celebration.

On my way home, I stopped to see Dr. Gottfried. Later, we went to dinner at the French Embassy.

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That attractive couple, the French Ambassador and his wife, had an amusing party, with numbers of five-star guests. When we arrived home, we found Averell Harriman, Carl Kaysen, and Bill Tyler there. They are staying at the house. I sat up with them until after midnight.

July 12, 1953 - Friday

Carmen Esnault-Pelterie called me from Geneva last night about her son, Michel, coming to London today to see me. I met him this morning, and was favorably impressed by him. I wrote a letter to Ricardo Sire in Madrid, asking him to see Michel this summer in Majorca, if they both happen to be there.

I went to Lord Hailsham's office, to meet Averell and his group. They discussed tactics for their conference in Moscow. Afterwards, Averell and I went over to see Lord Home for a further talk on the same subject. The Prime Minister had a lunch for Harriman and some of the rest of us, with British representation.

The PM told me at lunch of the great influence his American mother had on his career. It seems that, widowed after a few months of marriage, she had, to the dislike of her family, made a trip to Europe, in the course of which she met Macmillan's father, whom she later married. She said her motto for him had always been "Never give up", and that this made a deep impression on his personality, and perhaps accounted for the "unflappability" for which he was often satirized.

The working representatives on the British side at the Harriman talks were:

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Mr. P. Thomas, MP (Minister of State for Foreign Affairs)
 Sir Solly Zuckerman (Chief Scientific Adviser, Ministry of Defense)
 Sir Wm. Penney (Deputy Chairman, UK Atomic Energy Authority)
 Dr. R. Press (Chief Scientific Officer, Ministry of Defense)
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Mrs. Joseph Kennedy, the President's mother, asked me some time ago to secure Lady Churchill's autograph on seven copies of a recent unauthorized biography of her. I failed in this mission, as I explained to Mrs. Kennedy in the following letter:

July 13, 1963 - Saturday

At the office this morning. I had a talk with Tom Finletter, who flew over to tell Averell about Spaak's presentation yesterday to the NATO Council on his recent conversations with Khrushchev. George McGhee flew in this morning from Bonn. He, Tom Finletter, and our house guests had lunch with us.

E and I left this afternoon, to stay at Easton Neston. There all was calm and beautiful. The guests were Moyra Lubbock, pretty Lady Charmian Scott, Alistair Forbes, George Weidenfeld, Amabel and Patrick Lindsay. We had at dinner a superb 1926 Cheval Blanc, bought by our hostess from Berry Brothers. I shall call them Monday and see if I can ferret out some of the same.

July 14, 1963 - Sunday

Took a long walk this morning, then returned after lunch to London. Carrie and Magill James dined with us tonight.

July 15, 1963 - Monday

Tom Finletter came to see me this morning, before leaving to return to Paris. Harriman has already arrived in Moscow, and it appears ~~that~~ he will shortly be entering into negotiations with Soviet officials.

I lunched with Stash Radzivil at his house. He has just bought in Paris some particularly fine pieces of French furniture. Lee is in the United States, where she ~~has~~ joined Jackie in advance of the latter's accouchement. They have been

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invited to take a cruise this summer as far as Singapore, and perhaps to San Francisco, on Onassis's yacht, later to be followed by a safari in Africa. Stash and his partner, Felix Fenston, are about to float an issue of their property company. We talked a good deal about Poland, and had an enjoyable time.

Mrs. Martha Robinson, in charge of the Battle of New Orleans Sesqui-Centennial, to be celebrated in January 1965, came to see me, with De Myers. She is seeking British representation to celebrate the defeat of their forces by Andrew Jackson. Lord Longford, a descendant of the unlucky Pakenham, has already accepted. She is so persuasive, I should imagine little will be refused her.

Max Konstamm came to see me this afternoon, as later did Henry Taylor, our former Ambassador to Switzerland, who has resumed his broadcasting and columnist activities.

We had a dinner at home tonight for Princess Marina, with the following guests

Sir Steven Runciman,
Lord and Lady Monckton
Sir Harold and Lady Zia Wernher
Mr. Anthony and Lady Violet Powell
Lady Rachel Pepys (Lady-in-Waiting for HRH)
Sir Philip Hay (Secretary to HRH)
Mrs. Pleydell-Bouverie
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Douglas Fairbanks called me from the London Airport tonight, to say his wife, Mary Lee, had arrived there to board a plane for Tripoli, but discovered her passport had expired, and in addition she had no Libyan visa. While the airplane was being held, he telephoned the Libyan Ambassador, who said he could do nothing about it until morning, but would arrange the matter during the course of the following day. This was not much good to any one, since the craft was due to arrive in Tripoli at 10:30 tonight. I tried to reach our Embassy there on the telephone, which enabled me to understand the reason for my colleagues'

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inability to move quickly: there was to be no telephone service to Tripoli before tomorrow afternoon. I advised Douglas to get her off in any event, since Bill Benton's yacht was stopping for her at eight o'clock tomorrow morning, and let her take her chances there. I sent an open telegram to our Embassy, asking them to try to secure her release at the local airport.

Princess Marina was a charming guest. She looked beautiful, as she has on every occasion I have seen her here, with the exception of the first, when she appeared ill and tired. The arrangements for entertaining British Royalty in a private house are somewhat complicated. First of all, one must submit a list of whom the host and hostess might like to invite. It comes back, usually with a suggestion for the deletion of some names and proposed additions. All the guests must be assembled for the arrival of the Royal visitor, who is met by the host and hostess at the front door, conducted in by the host, who then presents any guests he or she does not know. After the meal, it seems to be the custom to bring up the other guests successively for short chats. This must be quite a bore for Royalty. Walter Monckton came to dinner. It was the first time he has been out since his recent operation. He was in good spirits, but evidently **seriously** has been ~~seriously~~ ill.

Henry Taylor is hot against President Kennedy. His line is much the same as that of David Lawrence. He must be doing well financially, for he said the chief purpose of his trip to London was to buy a Rolls Royce. His wife already has one.

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Jimmy Roosevelt came in to see me this morning, with his son Jim, and a member of his Congressional staff. He was lively in conversation. He fears there will be great trouble in Congress over the railroad strike.

I did not have time to go out, so Cy Sulzberger lunched with me at the office. Afterwards, I went to Agnew's, at 43 Old Bond Street, to look at a portrait of George II, which the State of Georgia is thinking of acquiring. I believe it would suit their purposes. It was painted by Phillips, a pupil of Hogarth, and is for sale at what ^{seems} ~~to be~~ to me ~~the~~ the reasonable price of about \$850. The reason for the Georgian interest in it is that the State was named after George II.

Shepard Stone, of the Ford Foundation, called on me. We talked chiefly about the Common Market and Jean Monnet. Jean has finally accepted the Ford grant, and is really going to put his papers in order for an eventual biography.

Brig. General Archibald Sproul, of the Virginia-Maryland National Guard, came to see me. He is an intelligent fellow, worried over what he thinks is the deterioration of Anglo-American relations. Personally, I don't think they have suffered to any considerable extent, but if one were to rely on newspaper accounts since the Profumo revelations, one would think we were at daggers drawn with each other. Sproul commanded one of the assault ~~forces~~ of the 29th Division

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at Omaha Beach. His men performed gallantly, but were badly cut up.

Bunny Mellon arrived from Paris, to stay with us. E and I went to Covent Garden, as guests of the Droghedas, for the Bolshoi Ballet. Romeo and Juliet. We had to be there at 7:15, ~~in~~ in advance of Princess Margaret and Lord Snowden. The other guests were Mary and Eric Bessborough, Lord and Dora Gaitskell, Lady Harewood/ and Fred Warner. The Harewoods have done a tremendous amount for the theater, and for cultural affairs generally. She is a musician, as is Lady Drogheda. It was an extraordinary performance. The stage sets and costumes had been brought from Russia. The orchestra was the Bournemouth Symphony. The principal dancers were Raissa Struchkova and Maris Liepa. All the members of the company threw themselves into their performances with amazing enthusiasm and verve. There was tumultuous applause. We had dinner in Drogheda's little salon between the acts. Afterwards, we went back stage, where Princess Margaret delivered a short speech.

July 17, 1963 - Wednesday

David Astor came to see me this morning with some/friends, to tell me about the latest developments in an area of intense interest to him, Nagaland. He says the Naga tribesmen, disgusted and resentful of the Indians, are trying to make a deal with the Chinese. He wants this brought to the attention of our Government, which I have undertaken to do. It is a long, but fascinating, story.

E and I lunched with the Aidan Crawleys. Virginia's sister was there, as were the Wheeler-Bennetts, the Peter Cazelets, and others. We had a good deal of political talk. They all think the Prime Minister must retire a considerable time before the next election if the Conservative Party is to have any chance.

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Philip Geyelin, of the Wall Street Journal, came to see me this afternoon, as did later on Sidney Gruson of the New York Times.

I went over to Claridges to see Jean Lambert and meet the beautiful young woman he expects to marry this autumn.

Back at the house, I found Priscilla and Alfred Jeretski and Eliza Lloyd (Bunny's daughter) had arrived to stay. E, the Jeretskis and I went to St. Martin's Theatre tonight, to see "Where Angels Fear to Tread". It was a diverting play, with a good cast. We had a late cold supper about midnight at home.

July 18, 1963 - Thursday

Col. John Eisenhower came to see me this morning. His father is arriving in France in early August, under the auspices of CBS, to do some screening of the early days of the Normandy invasion. He and Mrs. Eisenhower will spend most of their time at Caen, but he is coming for one day to Portsmouth, to re-enact the scene where he made his fateful decision to launch the cross-channel operation, already delayed for one day by bad weather. He is anxious to avoid as much ceremonial as possible, but the Lord Mayors of Southampton and Portsmouth, Officers of the Royal Navy, and many other dignitaries seem determined to greet him. I suspect that his family are trying to slow up the pace of his life. John hinted that he thought his father undertook far too much for a man of his age. Ted Curtis said the same thing to me a few days ago. Ted had induced him to go and during his stay there Ted to Rochester to make a speech; he said the ex-President insisted on shaking hands with everyone, and going around like a fire engine all day long and part of the night.

I lunched in my office, finishing a reply to a telegram received this morning, asking my comments on a message from the President to the Prime Minister, suggesting a possible approach to General deGaulle in connection with the test ban negotiations in Moscow. I made this reply:

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Soviet authorities allowed the NBC people to photograph Kremlin scenes so freely. It was a wonderfully colorful picture. It had originally been intended to conclude it with an interview with Khrushchev. Unfortunately for the producers, this had to be eliminated, since the time for shooting it coincided with the height of the Cuban crisis.

Today was National Day for the Spaniards. E and I went to their party for a short stay, before going on to the Princeton dinner at the Hurlingham Club, at which President Goheen of Princeton delivered an interesting address. There were about a hundred people present, including a number of British luminaries, such as the accomplished Sir John Wolfenden.

We have had a great stir here over the case of William Gallacher. This man of 81 applied for a visa to go and see his 75-year old sister, who is now ill, in the United States. He is a Communist. His visa was first granted, then revoked. Fifty Members of Parliament sent me a petition, asking re-consideration of the matter. Many other letters have come in, reproaching our Government for its action. I think it was a stupid decision to revoke this visa, and we made protestations against the action. Upon reconsideration, it was decided to revoke the revoke, so all is now well.

July 19, 1963 - Friday

George Steuart, Officer in Charge at Liverpool, came to see me this morning. The Cardiff and Manchester Consulates are to be discontinued, but Liverpool will remain--one of the oldest American establishments abroad. Steuart is a Virginian, and, not entirely for that reason, a nice fellow.

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Mr. McClure of CBS met Lewis Jones, Bill Clark and myself this morning, to discuss details of President Eisenhower's visit to Portsmouth. This is at the moment a pretty tangle, but I think we can arrange to respect the President's wishes to ~~eliminate~~ as far as ~~possible~~ possible ceremonial interruptions.

We had a lunch at home for the following:

Lord Warwick
Mrs. Mellon
Miss Lloyd
Mr. and Mrs. Jaretski
Mr. and Mrs. Wisner
Lady Margaret and Mr. John Walker
Duchess of Buccleuch
Professor Winsom

I had a long talk with Dick Neustadt this afternoon about operations of the Executive Departments of the U. S. Government, as well as those of the Embassies.

We had a reception tonight at the residence for Robert Lowell, a distinguished American poet. I was gratified by the attendance there of many of the leading British ^{critics.} They ^{came} from all over, and were profuse in their praise of Lowell. He is a shy, engaging man. There were other guests, such as Dr. and Mrs. Louis Bishop (a famous heart specialist from New York), Governor and Mrs. Collins, Dorothy Cowen, the Macgill Jameses, John Shapiro (the owner and manager of the Laurel racing track in Maryland), and a medley of representatives of art and sport. Afterwards, Bunny Mellon, Eliza Lloyd, the Jeretskis, and one or two others had a late supper with us.

July 20, 1963 - Saturday

I went to the office this morning, to become mired in a welter of telegrams, for security purposes designated "Mum". They can only be seen by me, and ~~the~~ the decoding clerk ^{on them} must put his name. If there is anything in precedent, a leak will shortly occur in Washington.

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The place is really glorious. The fine house is perched on the edge of a village. On the other side are endless rolling fields. A herd of fallow deer graze up to the ground floor windows, black sheep, white sheep, cattle wander about with a lake for background. Inside, the National Trust house is beautiful; marvellous paintings, especially a room full of Turners, a sculpture gallery of the first order, furniture and bibelots galore; everywhere, as regards taste in decoration, a sensitive touch.

July 21, 1963 - Sunday

The Sunday Times was nearly all Brandon, with an editorial page article by Giles on Jean Monnet.

We were reinforced at lunch by E, Loelia Westminster, Ted Heath and others.

E and I left on the three o'clock train. I went directly to the office and sent this telegram to Washington. Harold Caccia telephoned me. He had been to Alec Home's and also to Chequers today. He came to Grosvenor Square and gave me the PM's latest messages to the President to read. The test ban negotiations appear to be in promising train, but as yet there is no certainty they will not be linked by the Soviets with a non-aggression pact.

Tonight, we dined late with the Jaretskis and Nicky. I cannot remember when I have gone to bed before midnight.

----July 22, 1963 - Monday

Like yesterday, a hot day. The British thought it sizzling when the thermometer touched 78°, the highest in two years.

Admiral Ricketts came to see me this morning. He has just arrived to deliver three lectures, before private organizations here, on the subject of MLF.

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General C. Rodney Smith, head of Radio Free Europe, and Talbot Hood, its London Bureau Chief, came to see me. I ^{met} ~~met~~ Smith before when he was on the SHAPE staff.

Ken Galbraith, newly arrived from Mallorca, dropped in. He was refreshing and picturesque on the subject of his experiences in India, where Chet Bowles, already arrived to replace him, sent out a telegram yesterday concluding he "did not intend to shoot from the hip"--referring to the making of hasty decisions.

I lunched at Bucks with Joe Bryan of Richmond. We fell on to the subject of what I ^{guess to be} ~~met~~ a spurious portrait of Pocahontas, offered to Bryan by a dealer in Georgia.

Mr. Connors came in to explain to me his scheme whereby if everyone at the residence were taken over on my personal payroll we could, by a system of private insurance, compensate them for what they might give up in the way of security upon being shifted from the US Government payroll. This affects only gardeners and maintenance men. Findley Burns and his staff will consider this matter further.

Dick Neustadt spent an hour with me on the subject of his interest in Skybolt, security, and other affairs he is delving into on instructions from the President.

I said goodbye to Joe Greenwald, who is leaving us on a Washington assignment after a brilliant and useful career here.

We had a catch-all reception at the residence tonight, chiefly for British friends and acquaintances who have invited us to various functions. I thought it the best reception we have given.

When the tumult and the shouting had died away, the Jaretskis, E, Nicky, and Ali Forbes sat down to a late supper. The Jaretskis parted with us tonight, and Lally Graham came in from Washington.

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July 23, 1963 - Tuesday

Mohammed Kellou, the Algerian Ambassador, came to pay a courtesy call this morning. Aged 32, he holds a doctorate in Law from the University of Montpellier. After practicing as an advocate in the Algiers Court of Appeals, he came to London in 1957 to study at the London School of Economics. He was named representative of the Algerian National Movement in London in 1958, going to Pakistan as representative of the Algerian National Movement in London in 1958, going to Pakistan as representative of the Algerian Provisional Government in 1961. For a short time before his recent arrival in London he was head of the African-Asian-Latin American Division of the Algerian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He is unmarried, and ■ an attractive man.

Senator Peter Dominick (Colorado Republican), member of the Banking and Currency Committee, came to see me. I liked him. We discussed gold, petroleum, wheat, coffee, rubber, frozen poultry, and other things, not all trivia.

No day is complete without a visit from a US Government official. This morning, it was Michel Cieplinski, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administrative Affairs, in the office of the Under Secretary for Administration. I told him I thought outside experts should be introduced into the Department, to try to reform its deplorable personnel practices.

E and I lunched with Lord and Lady Cairns (Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps) at their enviable house in St. James's Palace. The Spanish Santa Cruz and others were there.

I went home to put on my gray morning coat, then to the office before joining E for the Queen's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. She gives three such functions for the Diplomatic Corps; the United States qualifies alphabetically for the last.

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it has been curtailed to figures in the 70's. I am in favor of a drastic cut. It is a lot of nonsense to have at the few most formal functions twice as many US representatives as are provided by any other nation. The Soviet Union comes next with 60. The personnel of the British Embassy in Washington is larger than our own, but they only have about 70 people on the diplomatic list.

I made a presentation for the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters to Richard Hughes, author of "A High Wind in Jamaica", "Fox in the Attic" and other successful books. We had television, photography, and speeches. The reply by him to my peroration was witty. He is a distinguished looking man, with a wispy gray beard.

I had a further discussion with Dick Neustadt before going off to White's Club to see Douglas Fairbanks. I ~~had~~ talked to him twice yesterday on the telephone. Since Mandy Rice-Davies says ~~that~~ he slept with her, but did not pay her, and also affirmed that she disliked him, he is really in a somewhat anomalous situation. His British solicitors have prepared a statement for him. Under British law he can make no denial or affirmation of anything said by a witness in a current trial.

I arrived home just in time for dinner. This was the evening when Solly Zuckerman intended to give his annual party at the Zoo. It had to be cancelled, since he is still in Moscow, so we arranged at the last moment to take over some of the guests. We had the John Wyndhams, the Frank Giles, Kisty Hesketh, Ian and Ann Fleming, and Ali Forbes. We had fun.

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July 25, 1963 - Thursday

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E, Nicky and I left London by BEA for Venice this morning. Two and a half hours later we were aground at the Marco Polo Airport, where a motorboat met us. Never have I so looked forward to a holiday.

The Ronald Trees and ourselves have rented the Paul Munsters' house on the Guidecca for two weeks. We are paying 500 pounds for it, including the services of a flotilla of deft Italian maids, supervised by incomparable Leonora, and the exceptionally pleasant cook, Amanda.

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Ronnie had arranged in advance for a cabana at the Lido. There are hundreds of such shelters on the beach, but they are so much in demand that even taking into account their tremendous charges, they do not suffice to house the army of sea-bathers. The beach itself is extensive, and slopes gently into the sea, the temperature of the water at this time of year being about 75°.

The Trees have with them Marietta's accomplished daughter, Frankie Fitzgerald, about 23 years old, and their joint production, Penelope, a charming and interesting girl of fourteen. Frankie has two persistent followers who nip in for most meals except breakfast.

No couple could be as sympathetic to share a house with as the Trees. They are perfection to be with.

Each day we go, usually our separate ways, into Venice for sight-seeing or to make minor purchases. Often we all lunch together at Harry's Bar, run by young Cipriani, which has in our estimation the best food in Venice.

Ordinarily, we swim at the Lido in the morning, and occasionally lunch there.

I went to see Solie and Freddie Reinhardt, who were staying at the Consulate on the Grand Canal. In a misbegotten economy decision, the State Department

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ordered the elimination of this establishment. That, in my opinion, is a short-sighted, unimaginative, stupid move, bad for American prestige, that will effect, in the long run, no appreciable savings. Freddie protested in vain, as did I in London against the closure of some of our British Consulates.

How William Dean Howells would have deprecated this action!

The youngest Reinhardt child was deperately ill in hospital, suffering from sunstroke. For some days, she was speechless, with a high fever, but will completely recover.

Marietta and Ronnie have many friends here, so there was a constant coming and going of guests at tea time.

I bought a dozen each of modern silver gilt knives, forks and spoons, copies of an old Venetian pattern, and indulged myself with several silk suits, and transparent cotton shirts.

There was a splendid Carpaccio exhibition at the Doge's Palace. The only drawback ~~at the house is~~ the prevalence of mosquitoes. Nicky, with his horror of all sorts of insect life, was dismayed and ruffled by them. Despite the protection of nets, he claims to have killed no less than 60 within his bed enclosure.

When we left, after a fortnight's visit, it was hard to believe we had been there for more than a day, so deeply satisfactory had everything been, except for the almost inexpressible sadness of hearing that gifted, remarkable Phil Graham had committed suicide in Virginia.

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